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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the U.S. Application of

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RECEIVED Group Art Unit: 3628

U.S. Serial No. 08/626,600

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Examiner: Poinvil, F.

Filed: April 2, 1996

GROUP 3600

For: DOCUMENT STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL SYSTEM

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

Sir:

Applicants received a decision from the Board of Patent Appeals on May 15, 2002. The cover page of the Decision had the mailing date of March 11, 2002 crossed out and the word Re-Mailed written in with the new date of May 10, 2002 (See Attached). Applicants respectfully submit that the period for response to the Decision begins with the date of remailing, that is, May 10, 2002. MPEP 707.13. Applicants filed a CPA on July 10, 2002.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request that the Notice of Abandonment mailed August 14, 2002 be withdrawn because a response was timely filed. If any fees are required in connection with this filing, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account no. 501458.

Respectfully submitted,

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Appeal No. 2000-1442 Application 08/626,600 -

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ON BRIEF

Before URYNOWICZ, KRASS, and LEVY, Administrative Patent Judges. URYNOWICZ, Administrative Patent Judge.

Decision on Appeal

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This appeal is from the final rejection of claims 1-12 and 14-32. The rejection of claim 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 has been withdrawn.

The invention pertains to organizing and retrieving documents and material associated with the documents. Claim 14 is illustrative and reads as follows: